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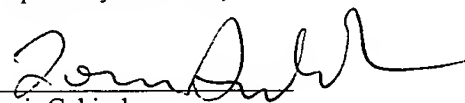
U.S. 4,479,819 and U.S. 4,304,584 correspond to Japanese Patent Application Examined Publication No. Hei 2-40619 and Japanese Patent Application Un-examined Publication No. Sho 56-169140 respectively disclosed on page one of the specification in the above-referenced application.

U.S. 5,252,524 corresponds to Japanese Patent No. 2628014 disclosed on page 2 of the specification in the above-referenced application.

U.S. 3,998,647 corresponds to Japanese Patent Application Examined Publication No. Sho 56-51143 disclosed on page 4 of the specification in the above-referenced application

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